

**CITY OF MUSKEGON
WORKSESSION/LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2005 @ 5:30 P.M.
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Warmington at 5:32 p.m.

Present were Mayor Warmington, Vice Mayor Larson, Commissioners Carter, Davis, Gawron, and Spataro. Commissioner Shepherd was excused.

1. Downtown Muskegon Market Study. Dan Rinsema-Sybenga, Muskegon Area First, gave a presentation.
2. Public Relations Committee Presentation. John VanWyck, Co-Chair of the Public Relations Committee, gave a PowerPoint presentation. Jill Montgomery and Andrea Riegler were also present to answer questions. Commission requested staff to look into this to see if it will fit in the budget.
3. Construction Contract for the Former Mall Area Project. City Manager Bryon Mazade introduced Frank Bednarek, Downtown Muskegon Development Corporation, who gave an overview and answered questions.
4. Construction of Improvements – Great Lakes Naval Memorial and Museum. City Manager Bryon Mazade explained that they would like to construct a retaining wall and a picnic pavilion.
5. Point of Sales Inspections. Tabled to the next Worksession.
6. Sidewalks. Commissioner Spataro reported on the following.
 - a) Should sidewalks be included as part of future street projects instead of a separate assessment?
 - b) Should we establish sidewalk design standards and amend the ordinance to include them?
7. Community Events and Commitment of City Services. City Manager Bryon Mazade will draft a policy.
8. Approval of April 27, 2005 Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Spataro, second by Commissioner Davis to approve the April 27, 2005, minutes.

VOTE: All Ayes

9. Property at 487 W. Clay. Home is in extreme disrepair. Neighbors are asking the City to go forward with dangerous building process.

10. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail A. Kunding, MMC
City Clerk